

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4  
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## 19th Annual Assembly Beyond Description

### All Go Forth into New Year With Renewed Vigor and Inspiration

#### Jesus Proves His Power to Heal

**"The Prayer of Faith Shall Save the Sick, And the Lord Shall Raise Him up"**

NEW RIVER, Tenn.—I want to praise God for what He is to me and my family. I want to thank Him today for salvation that keeps me free from the world and full of joy and peace. Praise God. I feel encouraged to press on. The dear Saviour is such a dear friend and will never fail—try Him and see.

Not long ago I was very sick, my husband thought I would die before day. He went after the dear saints to pray for me and the dear Lord gave the victory. He touched my body, thank God with His balm hand. A little later our son Willard was very sick, we thought he had typhoid fever, but Jesus healed him. A short time afterward Marguerite and Edward were sick, it seemed that Marguerite had pneumonia (We had no earthly physician.) Just a little later, while Marguerite was still real sick, baby was taken sick with fever and a real bad cough—one day I was sitting by Marguerite's bed, nursing the baby (husband was working). It looked like they were going to die. I thought oh, they are so sick and me all alone. Then I heard a gentle sweet voice say, "I am with you." Oh how it does comfort to know that He is ever near in time of serious need. I am so glad He is a friend in need.

I have had the Holy Ghost seven years; I came into the Church shortly after receiving the Holy Ghost. I have never grown tired of Him yet. It just suits me, for it is the Bible and it will never fail. Thank God that is the name she will have when Jesus comes after her. It won't be changed in the least. I want to go all the way with the dear Lord, for He has been with me in every trial I have had since being in the way. I can just look back and see His mighty and gentle hand of mercy with every trial. Oh, how I thank Him for trials. It draws us so much closer. I get so hungry to be in good meetings and be with the dear saints at home in North Carolina. I thank God for the good saints there. The enemy has sure tried to shake them there in many ways, but thank God they are not following man, but God. We know that He is able and with every temptation He will make a way of escape. It does my heart good to know Jesus has a tried people. It is food to my hungry soul to read the Evangel. I praise God for it.

Brother Payne's piece in regard to rearing boys surely was to me, as my three oldest children are boys. I am sure it is such a true piece. I want the little paper to ever be in our home. There isn't a Church of God here. We attend the Union Church. Pray for this place. (Continued on page 4)

#### "STEADFAST AND UNMOVABLE"

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mex.—I have many things to praise the Lord for this morning, he has been so good to me.

We are getting along very good here. Brother Rouse has been with us for a few days, and the dear Lord is blessing us. The devil tried with all his might to down the Church of God, but thank God the Lord has helped to prevail and we have some dear souls that are steadfast and unmovable. We are expecting great things of the Lord, so pray for us that He will make us instruments in His hands, and that He may get glory out of our lives.—W. E. Creekmore.

#### HEALING AT ASSEMBLY

**"Is Any Sick Among You? Let Him Call For the Elders of the Church"**

This part of the work was in the hands of Brother L. G. Rouse and Brother Hall. The services were carried on from 6 to 7 each evening just before the hour for preaching.

Cards were given out, and only those holding numbers were prayed for each night; they would form a line and pass between these two brethren and they would lay their hands on them and many were healed, many would claim healing before they would get to the place where they could have hands laid upon them.

It was estimated that they prayed for about 700 and doubtless two thirds of them were healed.

There was a man carried in who couldn't walk, had been paralyzed for some time, he was healed and walked to the car and climbed into the car alone. I hear that he is still walking.

There was a girl that had to have braces on her lower limbs, she couldn't walk without them, and had gotten to the place where she could hardly walk with them so she was healed and left her braces.

There were several deaf people healed, also one sister who was totally blind in one eye was made to see with this eye.

Many who had T. B. testified to their healing, also many others were healed of divers diseases.—One who attended the Assembly.

#### Healed of Appendicitis Saints Shouting Victory

MCMINNVILLE, Tenn.—Sister Delcema Batt reports that she was healed of appendicitis. She was taken home from work and was so sick she could not turn in bed, but she refused the doctor's assistance, and would do nothing but trust in the Lord, although many of her friends tried to persuade her to have the doctor, to use a hot water bottle, or an ice cap. The only physician she called upon was Jesus and He healed her.

#### SPEAKERS HAVE SPECIAL ANOINTING FOR OCCASION

**The Church Has Never Had Greater Prospect For Rapid Development Than It Has Today**

By J. S. Llewellyn

The 19th Annual Assembly of the Churches of God has come along smooth while the spiritual feature was running at high tide. The fellowship was never more sweeter or more richly enjoyed. The love for each other increased and abounded until many had given expression of the special love that God had given them for His children and the great cause that we all love so well. The difficulties of the past that have so grieved the hearts of many until many bitter tears coursed down their cheeks that was thought by some that would entirely ruin the church and its prospects have now come to the conclusion that the hardest things we have had to suffer have been the means of bringing us closer together and giving us a greater sympathy for each other and a greater concern for the welfare of the saints and for the salvation of a lost world, and many have expressed that the church has never had a greater prospect for rapid development than it has today. Surely the blessings of heaven are on His church in a special way and surely every saint should humbly bow and thank God for His special favors and breathe a prayer to Him to hasten this glorious gospel to the nations of the world.

Many who have enjoyed the privilege of attending a number of Assemblies in the past have volunteered to make the statement that it far exceeded any previous Assembly in the history of the church. All the speakers seemed to be under a special anointing for the occasion and their messages were a wonder to the attentive congregation, and no doubt to themselves. As they delved into the deep mysteries and unfolded them under the power of the Spirit the hungry multitude sat spell bound and occasionally the shouts of approval were heard from every quarter of the great Auditorium. Truly it was beyond description, therefore the half cannot be told.

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 29, hours before the time set, the saints who had come from a distance and those of the city, began to fill the Auditorium and before the hour came for the service, most every seat was occupied and soon standing room was at a premium. The song service began and soon the shouts of the victorious army was heard from every quarter. The Introductory or Welcome Address was delivered by T. S. Payne of this city, which was brimful of appropriate remarks, and truly was an address of welcome. At the close of his address he read an article signed by a great number of business and professional men, including city officials, county officials, bankers, merchants, lawyers and dentist in which they welcomed the 19th Annual Assembly to our city with appropriate words of commendation for the great work that the church had accomplished, also an endorsement of the church officials in charge of the business Headquarters. This was appreciated by that vast audience and accepted as a kind expression of their appreciation of the activities of the church in a business way, and the character and standing of the officials of the church in this city. A number of ministers responded to the welcome address, and by the close of this wonderful service all felt welcome and rejoiced because they had returned again to enjoy the great spiritual feast that appeared by that time to be on.

This great Assembly was distinguished on account of the harmony that prevailed among the ministers and membership of the church. There was no cross firing or complaining, no

debating, but everything moved along smooth while the spiritual feature was running at high tide. The fellowship was never more sweeter or more richly enjoyed. The love for each other increased and abounded until many had given expression of the special love that God had given them for His children and the great cause that we all love so well. The difficulties of the past that have so grieved the hearts of many until many bitter tears coursed down their cheeks that was thought by some that would entirely ruin the church and its prospects have now come to the conclusion that the hardest things we have had to suffer have been the means of bringing us closer together and giving us a greater sympathy for each other and a greater concern for the welfare of the saints and for the salvation of a lost world, and many have expressed that the church has never had a greater prospect for rapid development than it has today. Surely the blessings of heaven are on His church in a special way and surely every saint should humbly bow and thank God for His special favors and breathe a prayer to Him to hasten this glorious gospel to the nations of the world.

After the formal opening of the Assembly by the General Overseer on Thursday A. M. the various committees were appointed after which came the call of the states and their response. This part of the occasion afforded a great variety of interest and blessings to all. After the overseers of the respective states would head their delegation and tell of the wonderful prospects on the field of labor and how the Lord had been with them in the past year in a special way, the shouts of rejoicing could be heard throughout the vast audience.

The evening services were devoted largely to praying for the sick, in which it is said that hundreds were healed. This feature of the evening services was from 6:00 to 7:00 P. M., after which the regular evangelistic services were held in which many souls were definitely blessed of the Lord. It may be well said that there was not a barren service in the entire Assembly.

While the report of the committee on missions was being considered there were a number of interesting talks on the subject, and many expressed themselves as greatly interested along this line. A great number pledged themselves to do more, while a number stood in response to a call for those that would consecrate their lives to the Lord for the spread of the gospel throughout the world.

The special orphanage service was touching and especially interesting as almost 50 children marched to the stand, headed by

#### THAT SWEET HOME BEYOND THE RIVER

TALLULAH, La.—I want to testify through the Evangel as it has been two months since I have been in service or had an opportunity to testify for my blessed Savior.

I have had the blessed Holy Ghost five years, and am more determined to live for Jesus than ever before. I praise God for the Evangel, when I read the encouraging testimonies and about the great revivals. They make me feel like traveling on to that beautiful home where I can meet Jesus and my darling baby who left me last March. I long for the time when we will be reunited in that sweet home, where we will never have to say goodbye to our loved ones.

Let every saint pray that my husband and I may live close to the Lord.—Sister Emma Merritt.

#### MISS. STATE CONVENTION

**While Word is Given Out Congregation is Held Spell-Bound**

Opening services Friday night with songs, prayers and praises. Everybody seemed to be happy as they came in from different parts of the state. Saints greeting one another and the holy hallelujahs were ringing.

Welcome Address by our state overseer. After which he took for his subject—Progression, Digression, Retrogression, using for a text Psalm 133. The message was given out with love and power and everybody seemed to take courage. Saturday afternoon service opened with songs, prayers and feasting with the Lord, then the state overseer called on the district overseers to make report of their district.

First Brother Robert Blackwood made a short talk reporting the work in the Columbus district, then Brother Joe Lentz gave a report of Grenada District; after which he brought the 11 o'clock message. Using for his subject Obedience, adjourned for dinner. Saturday night services opened with song, "Press along to Glory Land." Praise service was conducted by the overseer. Some fiery testimonies to the point. Then we took an offering for the state overseer. Brother Burgess of Clarksdale brought the message using for a text Isa. 1:18. "Come now, and let us reason together;" then a good altar service was enjoyed.

Sunday A. M. service opened with songs and prayers, the message by the state overseer, Brother E. B. Culpepper. He preached on the Holy Ghost. He preached one and one half hours under the power of the Spirit. The people sat spell bound and certainly was convinced that the Holy Ghost is for us in these last days. Adjourned for dinner. In the afternoon short talks from different ministers. First, C. G. Edwards, his point was God's everlasting SHALL. He made a splendid talk. Then a short talk by Robert Black-

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#### God Answers Prayer of Faithful Children

**28 Souls Went Through To God—Lord's Supper and Feet Washing Observed**

BRISTOL, Tenn.—We have just closed a two weeks' meeting here. The power began to fall at the first of the meeting and closed with victory over the enemy. The saints had been praying for some time that God would send someone along that would hold a meeting and thank God, He sent Brother Prince from Morristown, Tenn.

Brother Prince preached with the power and it seemed that God gave the message every time. Conviction seized the sinners until they fell into the altar and cried out to God for mercy.

During the meeting there were 28 precious souls that went through to the Lord—20 saved, 5 sanctified and 3 filled with the Holy Ghost. Thanks be to God for His wonderful power that saves from sin, and for the precious blood that sanctifies. This has been the best revival ever held in Bristol since the Church of God has been established. There are many others looking this way.

We praise God for ever sending Brother Charlie Prince to Bristol. He has been the cause of these lost souls getting thru to the Lord and there were several of the good old Baptists who left their own meeting and came to hear Brother Prince, and who are looking this way.

We observed the Lord's Supper, washed the saints' feet, shouted, danced under the mighty power of God and talked in tongues, etc. Bless the Lord. So the Church of God at Bristol is standing foursquare for the Church that God established.—W. H. Jones.

#### The Present Outlook For Church is Great

BRENTWOOD, Ga.—Brother J. A. Hipps has just closed a meeting at Neva church, which started Sept. 10 and closed Sept. 28. The Lord wonderfully blessed us and we won victory thru our prayers and supplications to our Lord.

There were 13 saved, 10 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost and a church set in order with a membership of 15. There were some to be baptized, but the weather was so bad that we had to postpone it until a later date. We sure do thank our blessed Savior for sending us Brother J. A. Hipps. The Lord certainly did bless him in giving out the Word and he has won the hearts of everyone in Brentwood. The last night of the service waves of glory rolled over the saints and caused shouting and talking in tongues. Many hearts were touched and many of the sinners were made to shed tears.

The present outlook for the church here is great. We ask the prayers of all, to pray that we will stand the final test and hold out faithful to the end.—Mrs. Cary Leggett.



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### Holy Ghost Gives Desire to Work

RIENZI, Miss.—I visited Mrs. Mary Etta Green's home this evening and she received the Holy Ghost. Please pray for her husband to be saved.

The Lord is calling Sister Green to work for Him, but her husband does not think it is right for a woman to pray in public. Pray that God will open his understanding, and also that her two little girls may receive the Holy Ghost.—Sister Berna White.

## Wanted Mantle Men

**And Elisha Said: "I Pray Thee, Let a Double Portion of Thy Spirit Be Upon Me"**

Leaders have come and leaders have gone, but Jehovah is unchangeably the same. Elijah was off on a chariot of fire, a whirlwind carried him to heaven.

The air service is as old as God. There is nothing new under the sun. There will be many more of God's laws revealed, perhaps, before the ascension of the church.

No doubt Elijah's mantle fluttered down to Elisha's feet and he accepted it as a token of his call to service as the successor of a great prophet. Elijah was done. His mantle had been bestowed by Jehovah upon Elisha, who took up the task like a man and proved that power was of God, and immediately exercised it in behalf of God.

Elisha had been tested. He would not leave Elijah. (Stick-to-it-iveness) is as essential in service for God as in any other. Many men fail when God tests them. They are willing enough to be servants of God provided the path is easy and the pasture green and the waters quiet—but they hesitate when the test comes.

The history of service for God has been the same through all the ages. Trials, tribulations, tedious tests—but always triumph when the faith is fixed. In these days—so different from the days which have preceded us—these soft days for the church and for our own land—the church is being tested in a new way.

Everything has changed. Elegant church buildings, easy cushioned pews, elaborate programs, euphonious responsive readings, entertaining essays (using the soft pedal freely), self-satisfied worshippers who feel that they have put the Lord God Almighty under obligation by reason of their sacrifice in being willing to attend services.

Elijah would be a joke today, and Elisha would be imprisoned for calling upon the she-bears to correct the irreverence of the youths.

The Spirit of God ruled in and through Elijah, and the mantle of power rested upon Elisha, Elijah left no cut-and-dried program for his successor. The Spirit of God led him in his own royal way and he worked twice as many miracles as did Elijah.

The church has had many mighty men—Thank God for them. God ordained them. The church needs some mighty men today. The need is great and the necessity is imminent. The call comes from the Godhead for service as leaders, but leaders cannot map the way. The mantle must be upon the shoulders of Him who blazed the way by His own example and sacrifice. It must come with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. There must be no hedging, no hesitating.

What the service will be, when it will be, how it will be done, must all be left to Himself who said, "Lo I am with you, always, even to the end of the world."

Wanted mantle men who will wear the Spirit-given mantle of the Father without fear or favor, indifferent to the criticisms of men, within or without the fold; with love in their hearts for God and for their fellowmen; with a grip upon the sword of the Spirit, men ready to live or die for their Lord; men whose hearts beat in fellowship with the Captain of their salvation, and in sympathy with the children of men; men who cannot be pushed off the royal road into the rut of the sordid system which would make of them wooden soldiers in place of loyal servants of Christ.—King's Business.

Thelma Brannin praises the Lord for good and free salvation, and for the Holy Ghost. She desires an interest in the prayers of the saints that her father and brothers may receive the Holy Ghost and that her mother's eyes may be healed.

## "THEY SAY"

Was there ever a saying in all this world,  
From its dawn to the present day,  
So cruel and yet so frequently used,  
As this common expression "they say."  
If a man wants to ruin his fellow man  
And change into night his day,  
He loads to the muzzle his blunder-buss  
And shoots from behind "they say."

If a falsehood is told or a slander is out,  
You can search for it where you may;  
You'll run it around and around like a fox  
And tree it in what "they say."  
I met a preacher a short time since  
An excellent man, by the way,  
But when he'd mention a brother in praise  
He'd besmirch him with what "they say."

I heard a good sermon not long ago,  
I said, From our good brother A;  
The preacher replied with a wag of his head,  
He's a very poor pastor, "they say."  
Are you well acquainted with brother B?  
He's as bright and sunny as May!  
Oh yes, he replied, he's a very nice man,  
But he can't preach a bit "they say."

And what do you think of young brother C?  
You'll hear from that boy some day.  
He's a promising boy, the preacher replied,  
But he's taking the big head, "they say."  
And what do you say of good brother D?  
That great revivalist, eh!  
Is he not doing a wonderful work?  
Yes, but his converts don't stick, "they say."

With a sad, sad heart, and sorrowful mind,  
I turned and walked away;  
And thought what worthless creatures we are  
According to what "they say."  
There is not a liar that walks the earth,  
Either by night or day;  
So utterly void of honor or sense,  
As this cowardly liar, "they say."

No man has yet reached the mount of fame,  
Or walked in honors' highway,  
But who has been hounded at every step,  
By this consummate liar—"they say."  
God pity the man of sensitive mind,  
And pity us all we pray!  
Who haven't the grit and grace to endure  
The thrusts of that liar—"they say."

Brother press on in your great life-work,  
Through obstacles cut your way;  
Fight bravely the battles of life's great field,  
Never caring for what "they say."

## Nine Received the Holy Ghost

DAHLONEGA, Ga.—I want to sound a note of praise to God through the Evangel for His blessings to us. I feel that I can never praise Him enough for his greatness to me.

I truly do thank God for the good meeting He gave us during the month of August. There were about twelve saved and sanctified and nine received the Holy Ghost. Since the meeting eight of them were baptized in water and united with the Church.

Sister Ella Fry Holt did most of the preaching. We had the privilege of having Bro. Callo-way from Atlanta for two services, for which we were very glad and his messages were enjoyed by all who were present.

This meeting means much to the Church of God at Dahlonega. As we look upon the faces of the young girls that have just started out to follow Jesus and see them rejoice and praise God it makes our hearts rejoice with them. We bid them God's speed and encourage them to follow the meek and lowly Nazarene. May every one who reads this please pray for God's blessings to rest upon His children here.—R. E. Hamilton Pastor.

## So Sweet to Have a Home of Prayer

I want to praise God for what he has done for me, and is still doing. About two years ago he sanctified and gave me the blessed Comforter, and He still abides. I can feel His presence and I know that He is here.

I have been wanting to write a testimony and after reading Brother Payne's article, "Keep Thyself Pure," in the Evangel July 12th, I could not wait any longer as he expressed my idea better than I could have done. I am sure that if we will heed his warning there will not be so many heart-aches and sorrows. Let us all look around us and see the little things as well as the big ones that we can do for the Master. It is so sweet to have a home of prayer. Husband and I both have the Holy Ghost. Please pray that we may stay in the center of His will.—Mrs. Hattie Smith.

## Salvation that Angels Desire to Look Into

MOBEETIE, Texas.—I desire to praise God for His loving mercy and longsuffering toward me. I am glad of the day I found this wonderful Saviour precious to my soul. Bless His holy name! I am very grateful to Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the precious Holy Ghost, and because I am a member of the Church of God, the body of Christ. Bless His name!

I thank God because He loved me so much that He gave His only Son that even I might have this great salvation. A salvation that even the angels desire to look into. I am glad that he has no respect of persons. We should walk very softly before Him that others might come to Jesus.

His grace is what we need. He said to come boldly to the throne of grace, for His grace was sufficient, and I have found this to be true. I wish it were possible that this world might feel that sweet rest as I do this moment. Bless the Lord! I feel that sweet peace resting upon my soul just now. I know that my Redeemer lives and I know that He intercedes for me. Oh! I pray that we will be pure and spotless at His appearing and hear Him say, "Well done," that we might live with Him throughout the endless ages of eternity. Praise the Lord!

Oh! if we could all see the need of getting closer to God. He said, "Draw nigh unto God, and he will draw nigh unto you," so I feel the need of getting closer to God. I have been thinking of sinners that do not know God, and broken hearted people that do not know the loving Saviour's hand. It makes my heart sad. I certainly can recommend this wonderful Saviour as a real comforter for so many, many times He has helped me.

Oh! it is time we are doing something for Jesus, as life is very brief so we ought to be about our Master's business. I hope to have a few sheaves to lay at our Saviour's feet on that day. I am a slave to Jesus and when the gates of glory are opened I mean to go sweeping through. Pray for me.—Myrtle Ruff.

## TESTIMONY OF INDIAN GIRL

**DESIRES TO HELP BRING SOULS TO CHRIST**

I have been wishing for some time I could praise Jesus through the Evangel, but have been delaying for over three months. I promised God I would try to tell the saints about the great change He has brought upon my life. Glory to Jesus.

First, I must not forget to tell you, I failed to do what I was asked to do while I was at home during my vacation. Sister Walker asked me to write to the Evangel and tell about our all day services on July 4th. She told me the Evangel was mine and that I could write a testimony for Jesus in it. I am sorry I did not do what she wanted me to do.

I have been a reader of the Evangel for over a year, and love it dearly. Several times I was asked to be the organist for the church at home and did not do it until God showed me it was He, trying to see if I would be obedient to Him. He would not bless me as much as He did. I then promised God I would do as I was asked and He surely did bless me in taking part in the services. I now want to do all I can in bringing souls to Him.

I praise Him for sending the true full Gospel to us Indians of the far North. We appreciate the laborers God is sending, but do you not think we need more? I was encouraged to read an article in the Evangel of how God is blessing the Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma.

Oh, how I praise God. When at the time I was pleading for mercy, He gloriously saved me, led me out of darkness, opened my eyes and understanding to the truth. Later on He sanctified me by the blood of Jesus, baptized me with the Holy Ghost, and I was also baptized in water. Glory to Jesus. Words cannot express how happy I have been from that time on and still I expect greater things from God. Praise His holy name.

I am not near any Church of God, nor any saints, and would like to correspond or receive encouraging letters from the saints who wish to write to me.

In conclusion I will say that Jesus has healed my body many times for which I give Him glory. I have put my trust in Him and am determined to live the life for Him.

May I ask every dear saint to pray for me that I may hold out faithful? Also pray for the sisters who are attending school at Bismark, that they may not fail or lose out in their experience again. It is very hard for them. They have many trials and persecutions to go through. It brings to my mind what Paul says in 1 Cor. 10:13. Amen.—Lillian L. Soldier.

## NOTICE

As I have been appointed as state overseer for the following states: Mo., Ind., and Kan. will say, I would be very glad if each minister in these states would write me at once, also any other minister who desires to work in these ripe fields of labor. Write me at the address given below.—J. C. Coats, Joplin, Mo.

## Many Saints Have Heard the Voice of Jesus

WILCOE, W. Va.—"And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder; and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps." Rev. 14:2.

Many saints of God have heard the still sweet voice of Jesus when He spoke peace to their souls. I am praising Him for the blessed victory that I have in Christ Jesus. That sweet Spirit of the precious Holy Ghost still abides and I want the dear saints to pray for me that I may ever do the will of my Savior.—E. G. Black.

## Wonderful Sermon Edifies Church

COALWOOD, W. Va.—I want to report a wonderful meeting which was held at Wilcoe, W. Va. Sept. 18-28, with Brother E. L. Simmons, our State Overseer in charge.

We do not know how many were saved, sanctified or filled with the Holy Ghost, but we do know that several came into the Church and some were transferred, thus increasing it so that there is a membership of about thirty.

We had an all day meeting on Sept. 28th, and on that day our state overseer preached a wonderful sermon on the "Church." He touched all the following subjects in his subject, in proving his points, Viz., physiology, anatomy, psychology, geology, zoology, botany, astronomy, home economics and business education.

I do not present this to cause the public to think that our overseer uses this instead of the Bible, but it is presented to show his ability. However, each of these subjects can be found in the Bible.

We thank God for the Churches of God in this district, for they are standing immovable. We have been able to put two new ministers on the job this year. They are rendering faithful service and are standing for the Church of God uncompromisingly.—Bun E. Hicks.

## "Deliverance at Last"

ODUM, Ga.—I thank God this morning for lifting me up and delivering my soul from temptation. Praise His holy name! The devil tried to make me doubt that I had the Holy Ghost because I didn't feel the joy when I spoke in tongues as I did when I first received Him. Although I didn't commit wilful sin I was terribly worried over this doubt, my mind got so fixed on it until I could not rest day or night, but thank God this morning he gave me grace to trust him and faith to believe that the same Holy Ghost is abiding, and the joy is in my soul. Glory to God! It seemed at times that the cross was so heavy I could hardly bear it, but I would think of God's promises and pray. I wanted the right thing and had it, but it seemed I could not believe it until Jesus came to my rescue.

I promised God if He would deliver me I would testify through the Evangel. I thank God I don't feel like I did when I sent my confession to the paper. Dear saints I thank you for your prayers and I want you to continue to pray for me that I will live in such a way that I will always be ready to meet God and that I will overcome all trials and temptations and do His will at all times.

During this trying time I dreamed that I was walking in a path and met a snake, fear came upon me and I awoke with fear still upon me, but thank God I believe that enemy is moved. I want you all to pray for me that I will be able to trust God and that my mind will be stronger. May God bless you every one.—Esther Johnson.

## Praise God For Healing

LUBBOCK, Tex.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel this evening as I have been impressed for some time to write. I have a baby with a mighty bad cold and God says obey and He will completely heal her and by His grace I mean to obey in spite of the devil. I want to praise Him because He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost and added me to the dear old Church of God, praise His dear name!

I have been in this way for over two years and I am not tired of the way yet. I want to strive on and get more like Jesus every day, praise His name! I want to praise God for healing my mother-in-law, she fell from the porch and broke her hand and the Lord healed it.

I praise God for keeping both soul and body and I want you all to pray for me and my husband that we may be ready when Jesus comes, and also pray that my baby may be healed.—Zella Taylor, Route A, Box 212.



## Feast on Word at Convention Sanford, Florida

By Grace of God We Are  
Determined to Be  
True and Faithful to  
the End

I am praising God because I am saved from sin, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. By the grace of God I am determined to be true and faithful to the end.

I have been to the state convention at Sanford and the Lord certainly blessed us from the beginning to the end. We had songs of praise, shouts of victory and a feast on God's Word for a week. I am sure that all who attended the convention were built up and made stronger. Tongue cannot express the blessings that were showered out as the saints met from one session to another. We conclude that the half has never been told nor has it entered into the hearts of men the blessings that God has in store for them that will love and serve Him.

I was appointed Chairman of the Young People's Missionary Band during our convention. The young people rendered several heart stirring programs during the convention.

By the help of our dear Lord we will endeavor to have our Y. P. M. B. second to none in this state. We ask the prayers of all who love our Lord in sincerity.—Morris Roland.

### "WANTS TO BE AN OVERCOMER"

HIGH POINT, Miss.—This morning as I was sitting in my room, studying God's precious Word, the Spirit told me to write. Hallelujah! How the love of God is flooding my soul just now. Although I am living where I am deprived of the privilege of attending services, Jesus is still blessing me. I just can't begin to tell what Jesus is to me just now. He is my Saviour, my sanctifier, my baptizer and my healer. He is altogether lovely, the fairest among ten thousand; the bright and morning star, the rose of Sharon and the lily of the valley. He is my friend, the beginning and end, He is all and all to me. Bless His dear name forever! I shall continually praise Him, for He has done so much for me.

Dear saints let us hold on to God and obey His Word. Some times the road may seem dark and dreary, but remember Jesus passed this way before. I thank God today because there has never been any desire in my heart to turn back to anything I have left behind. I am still looking upward, thinking what it will mean to the ones who hold out faithful and endure to the end. The reward is to the overcomer. "To him that overcometh, will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God." Rev. 2:7. "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death." Rev. 2:11. "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment." Rev. 3:5. "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God." Rev. 3:12. "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne." Rev. 3:21. "And he that overcometh and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations." Rev. 2:26. Dear saints, no tongue can tell what it will mean to be an overcomer. Pray for me.—Carrie Blackwood.

### REPORT

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—I have just closed a revival at Whiteside, Tenn., which began Sept. 21, and lasted eight days. Many hungry souls were asking for prayer. One man had back-slidden and was reclaimed. We had good services and large crowds every night. Brother Basham helped me all he could in the meetings.—E. V. Pruett.

## General Solicitors Report

Grace, mercy and peace be multiplied unto thee.

We have felt for some time that we should write and let you know that we are still on the field for the orphans.

Although we stopped at Norton, Va., for a revival we did not neglect this work. At the same time we were soliciting that and nearby towns, and we hope that each of the churches will not fall behind in this matter, as winter is coming and that means added expense. Now is a good time and most every one can do something at this season of the year, since fruit and vegetables are so plentiful.

We must speak a word of commendation for the Church at Marion, Va. When we visited them in the interest of the home, we were struck with the willingness and interest shown by each of the members, and also the Sunday School children. They were eager to do something, and it seemed like everyone "had a mind to work." And they did work. They took the envelopes, got out in the rain, Sunday afternoon and when time came for the general collection, the envelopes flowed in from every direction, which made the collection much better. Then too, the tablets, pencils, canned fruit, etc., came in a constant stream night after night.

The state overseer, Brother H. D. Simmons was there also, and rendered valuable service to us, for which we are very grateful.

We drove into the town at 8 P. M. It was dark and raining. We had never been there before, did not know a single person, nor where the church was. As Abraham, we went forth not knowing whither we went, but the Lord wonderfully kept His hand upon us, and directed us right. We were made to exclaim when arriving at our destination, "The Lord has been mindful of us." We had driven the greater portion of the distance of eighty miles that day over the dangerous mountain roads without any brakes. The brakes had given away, and sometimes the car would turn crosswise of the road, as it was raining and the road was slick. They too, we only had it trouble five times. So we had a trial of counting it all joy as we fell into divers temptations, and in spite of it all we managed to be cheerful. Let us all learn to endure hardness as good soldiers, and put forth more effort to do more next year than we did this, and God will bless our efforts.

We earnestly desire your prayers.—Ella Hilsabeck and Nannie Hagewood.

### CASH DONATIONS

Ranzy Ayers, Russellville, Ala., \$0.25; Church, Rome, Ga., \$0.62; S. S. Harlan, Ky., \$2.69; S. S. Ravenna, Ky., \$4.94; S. S. Phenix City, Ala., \$1.80; Church and S. S. So. Lebanon, O., \$5.58; Church, Wauchula, Fla., \$2.00; Zion S. S., Surrency, Ga., \$1.55; S. S. Jacksonville, Ala., \$3.65; S. S. Canton, O., \$13.57; Church, Sikeston, Mo., \$2.79; Church, Cantwell, Mo., \$3.94; Church, McMinnville, Tenn., \$1.73; S. S. Fitzgerald, Ga., \$4.32; Church, Pine Grove, Miss., \$5.00.

S. S. Silver Bluff, Fla., Bible class, \$3.76; Willing workers, \$2.15; Sun Beams, \$1.38; Good Cheer, \$4.02; Blue Birds, \$2.21.

Glover Ledford, Hayesville, N. C., \$1.00; The Orphan's Band, Canton, O., \$28.84; S. S. St. Joseph, Mo., \$1.25; S. S. Wimauma, Fla., \$30.00; J. M. Baldree, Perry, Fla., \$20.14; Church, Akron, O., \$22.20; S. S. Miami, Fla., \$4.75; Church, Kannapolis, N. C., \$6.00; Church, Middlesex, N. C., \$0.35; S. S. Bailey, N. C., \$1.35; O. B. Griffith, Mt. Airy, N. C., \$1.00; Church, Berryton, Ga., \$5.25; S. S. Thern, Miss., \$1.55; S. S. Alabama City, Ala., \$7.69; S. S. Lakeland, Fla., \$5.00; H. L. Trim, solicitor, Boaz, Ala., \$10.00; Mentone, Ala., \$4.04; A. O. Armstead, Big Stone Gap, Va., \$5.00; Overland—Knight Corp., Norton, Va., \$5.00; S. S. Bell Town, Tenn., \$0.70; Mrs. Weaver, Calhoun, Ga., \$20.00; S. S. Baldwin Park, Cal., \$2.00; Church, Johnson City, Tenn., \$1.03; Church, Tampa, Fla., \$11.58; Mrs. G. W. White, Inverness, Fla., \$5.77; S. S. Williamsburg, Ky., \$6.81; S. S. Point, Tex., \$9.00; Mrs. J. W. Lowery, Thomasville, Ala., \$1.00; S. S. Walbridge, O., \$4.60; J. W. Hubbard, Wise, Va., \$0.20; P. B. Powers, Dequincy, La., \$2.00; Church, Anzalone, W. Va., \$1.63; Church, Mt. Zion, Tenn., \$0.50; Church, Piney Grove, Ga., \$0.76; S. S. Okeechobee, Fla., \$5.80; Church, Cleveland, O., \$1.82; P. B. Powers, Parkersburg, W. Va., \$5.00; Dequincy, La., \$1.00; D. G. McAlister and Son, Cleveland, Tenn., \$5.50; Glen Williamson, Archers Fork, O.,

## Many Blessed and Healed

What Will the Lord Do  
For the Sick When  
They Obey His Word

Earl A. Cripps

New York, N. Y.—During Dr. Bell's short stay at St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel, New York, the edifice was filled to overflowing, and so many thronged about the Broadway entrance that the police reserves had to be called out.

Many of the people were blessed and healed, but thousands of lame, halt and blind from all over the city grasped at the hope that perhaps Jesus could help them, that perhaps he is the same today, like a drowning man seizes a straw, but went away disappointed.

Brethren we need to have more compassion for the suffering multitudes. We need to publish the glad tidings that Jesus not only took the sins but the infirmities and sicknesses of the whole world. It was this doctrine that healed the man at the gate of the temple and turned Jerusalem upside down because the miraculous begets faith.

We may slay our thousands with a partial gospel, but with a full one and the signs following we can slay our tens of thousands. Let us ask God to stretch forth his hand in mighty signs and wonders, and healings of the sick that the world may know that He is a living God and that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

### MUCH GOOD WAS ACCOMPLISHED

ELIZABETHTON, Tenn.

We have just closed a three weeks' meeting at Elizabethton, Tenn., with victory in spite of the enemy. There were 4 saved, 5 sanctified and 5 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance.

Just to show how the Lord works on the hearts of His children, He put it on Brother and Sister Jones' hearts to go to Elizabethton to hold a meeting. They had cottage prayer meetings through the day and meeting at the church at night for two weeks. Souls were getting through very fast, and they prayed for God to send them help, and God heard and answered their prayer and sent Brother Charlie Prince from Morristown, Tenn. He took charge of the meeting and God did help him in giving out the Word every service and with the power of the Spirit. Much good was accomplished wherever the Word of God went.

The saints were edified and are now rejoicing and having a good time with the Lord, bless the dear Lord! The meeting closed with victory over the enemy. Brother Prince went on to Bristol, Tenn. to spend several days there in meeting.

Brother Prince certainly is a good preacher and very humble, pray for him that the Lord will bless his work wherever he may go. Please pray for me that I will ever stay humble at the feet of Jesus.—I. H. Brabson.

\$2.75; Fannie Conley, Logan, W. Va., \$1.44; Amanda Parry, Columbus, O., \$2.00; S. S. Dahlonga, Ga., \$5.76; Church, Twila, Ky., \$15.95; S. S. Mobette, Tex., \$3.83; S. S. Rock Hill, S. C., \$3.44; Church, Cedar Grove, W. Va., \$31.25; A. P. Baldree, Jennings, La., \$10.00; Committee, Atlanta, Ga., \$2.50; S. S. Bristol, Tenn., \$2.00; Mary Carr, Benham, Ky., \$7.00; Mrs. J. R. Upchurch, Baxley, Ga., \$1.00; Church, Hazlehurst, Ga., \$3.00; Lloyd Roberts, Cheboygan, Mich., \$2.50; S. S. Ravia, Okla., \$6.55; Church, Cleveland, Tenn., \$1.52; District Convention, Lindale, Ga., \$8.04; S. S. Lindale, Ga., \$3.00; Bun E. Hicks, Coalwood, W. Va., \$23.20; Martha Coombs, Laurel, Mont., \$1.60; S. S. Atlanta, Ga., \$17.08; Committee, Atlanta, Ga., \$14.65; Church, Grey Eagle, W. Va., \$5.00; Mrs. L. N. Harris, Calhoun, Ga., \$5.00; S. S. Jellison, Tenn., \$3.00; Mrs. Frank Urick, Strongsville, O., \$2.00; T. P. Douglas, Cocoonut Grove, Fla., \$15.00; Church, Toonigh, Ga., \$2.36; S. S. Okeechobee, Fla., \$6.90; Church, Ladonia, Tex., \$5.95; Mrs. Chas. Reed, Harrisburg, Ill., \$7.54; S. S. Canton, O., \$5.40; S. S. Lenoir City, Tenn., \$6.25; Church and S. S. Parkersburg, W. Va., \$50.00; No name, Glen Olden, Pa., \$20.00; S. S. Glen St. Mary, Fla., \$1.65; S. S.

## THE CHURCH OF GOD IS RIGHT

ALCO, Tenn.—I have been impressed to send in my testimony for some time, but have waited until now to do so. I am saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I trust God for the healing of my body, for He has healed me several times when the doctors had failed. I also belong to the Church of God.

When we were having such storms at different places and other doctrines were being preached, I still held on to God. The One God Head doctrine was being preached and it seemed that they were going to win some good people, but did not do much good. They made their doctrine so plain, I could hardly help but believe that they were right; I did not know anything else to do except ask God, so I went down in the woodland one afternoon and prayed to God two or three hours to direct me in the right path. I went to bed that night still praying and meditating on the subject and had a wonderful vision. After the vision the words came to me like this, The Church of God is right, she will stand when the world is on fire. I heard these words as plain as if some one had spoken them to me personally. So I know the Church of God is right and nothing can make me doubt it.—Mrs. Leona Costner, Alco, Tenn.

### NEEDY FIELD WORKERS FEW

DARL, Ky.—I want to praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His dear name! Five years ago the Lord sweetly filled me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His dear name! Five years ago the Lord sweetly filled me with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues and ever since then I have been enjoying this great blessing from God.

I want to go all the way with Jesus and by His help I mean to go through at any cost. Glory to God! I know that we have a hard battle to fight in this world, but it is worth it all if we can make heaven our home.

I would like to correspond with some of the dear saints of God. We would greatly appreciate a Church of God minister coming and holding a meeting here, as this is a needy field and workers are few. Pray that I may keep true and humble at Jesus' feet.—Willie Jones.

### Determined to Make Heaven Her Home

SHARON, S. C.—I want to praise the dear Lord for what He is to me. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost and added me to the dear old Church of God, the one that Jesus purchased with His blood. Praise the dear name of Jesus! I have had the blessing for three years and I am not a bit tired of the way.

We have worked hard here at this place to get a place to worship in. We now have a nice little church here near Hickory Grove, S. C., but it seems that the devil is trying hard to pull us down. I want all the saints that read this to pray earnestly that God will give us more power. Also pray for my unsaved children that the dear Lord will save them before it is too late. I am determined to make heaven my home, praise His dear name! Dear saints pray for my eyes, they are almost out, I know the Lord can heal anything. Bless His dear name!—Ella Childers.

### Lord Blessed in Giving Out the Word

LINTON, Ala.—Sister Minnie Duke reports a great revival at F. ndrix, Ala. in which three were saved, two sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother G. C. Dunn was with them part of the time and the Lord wonderfully blessed him in giving out the Word.

Burch, W. Va., \$3.48; State Convention, Middletown, O., \$62.18; Ella Mae Gainer, Lindale, Ga., \$1.00; J. S. Townsend, Clement, Fla., \$0.10; S. S. Sharps, Tabernacle, La., \$4.21; S. S. Morgantown, Miss., \$2.40; Committee, Marion, Va., \$6.00; S. S. Cleveland, Tenn., \$10.84; S. S. Sale Creek, Tenn., \$2.62; S. S. Carmel, Ill., \$13.52.

## The Old Time Religion Draws Us Close to God

The Full Overcomers  
Shall Walk With Me  
In White for They are  
Worthy

WAYCROSS, Ga.—It has been impressed upon my mind to write to the dear Messenger, the Church of God Evangel. I praise the Lord for the many soul stirring testimonies and also such grand messages of soul food for all to read. I dearly love the Evangel, it means so much for us all, especially for those who cannot get to services. I have thought how could I keep close to the Lord and keep sweet in my soul if I should be deprived of going to services. But loved ones, I tried this three months a short while ago. I realize what it is to be away from services, but instead of growing cold, I grew hungry for more of what I already had and to get into one of our services again.

I was down at Palmetto and Bradenton, Fla. I attended services at the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian, and also one of Raymond Richey's meetings, this was interesting to me. I saw them go through their method of getting through to God. In divine healing, there wasn't any excitement about it to speak about. They seemed to take it by faith. Many claimed instant healing, also forgiveness of sins at the same time. The sermons were fine. I said well praise the Lord for His wonderful work through other churches as well as ours. I believe the time is at hand when the power of the Lord will be manifest throughout the world, and the veil is being removed. The true light is shining to most all the people. And whosoever will come and take of the water of life freely, and now who will be the Bride of Christ? (The full overcomers shall walk with me in white for they are worthy), are not these worthy to be the Bride?

Brothers and sisters, I don't want to barely squeeze in through the pearly gates. I want an abundant entrance. I have a longing in my heart to do something that will count in eternity, but it seems that I can just help in the little things to be done, and there are many things to be done which answer big purposes. Oh, that I will ever be ready to do the little things. Anything just to be in the will of my Lord.

We have just had our State Overseer, S. W. Latimer, Brother Padgett, our pastor, Brother Smith and Brother Sweat and other brothers and sisters from a distance with us at Wareboro, Ga. We had a soul feast regardless of the bad weather, we could feel so much love and unity. Everybody seemed to love each other sincerely and the precious Lord was with us and gave us a rejoicing time with Him. I felt like I had gotten religion anew.

We must pray and keep our eyes on Jesus, trusting all to Him. Please think of me when you pray. I do love the Lord and I want to do His will and serve Him with my whole heart.—Addie McDonald.

### State Overseers

Alabama—T. L. McLain  
Arizona—J. A. Brown  
Arkansas—J. M. Viney  
Bahama Islands—Milton M. Padgett  
California—J. A. Brown  
Colorado—O. R. Rouse  
Delaware—H. W. Potest  
Florida—J. A. Self  
Georgia—Jno. L. Stephens  
Illinois—G. A. Fore  
Indiana—Charley Coats  
Iowa—E. E. Simmons  
Kansas—Charley Coats  
Kentucky—G. A. Fore  
Louisiana—G. C. Dunn  
Maine—H. W. Potest  
Maryland—H. W. Potest  
Michigan—Milo P. Cross  
Mississippi—E. B. Cupepper  
Missouri—Charley Coats  
Minnesota—Paul Walker  
Montana—Paul Walker  
New Jersey—H. W. Potest  
New Mexico—O. R. Rouse  
North Carolina—S. W. Latimer  
North Dakota—Paul Walker  
Ohio—E. Haynes  
Oklahoma—E. L. Jenkins  
Pennsylvania—H. W. Potest  
South Carolina—Evan M. Ellis  
Tennessee—E. L. Simmons  
Texas—R. F. Johnson  
Virginia—W. B. Davis  
West Virginia—H. N. Scoggins  
Colored Work—David LaFleur

## A Jew Saved and Sanctified

FRUITLAND, Md.—About three weeks ago I opened up a mission in Chester, Pa., and left Sister Mullikin in charge.

Last Sunday I went up and set a church in order with eight members. Most of these were Pentecostal people and have been looking for the right way a long time, and when I read the teachings of the Church of God, emphasized them strongly, the power fell among them and they came rejoicing into the fold.

One of them is a Jew from Philadelphia, who is saved and sanctified. Brothers Thomas and Bell who are well known citizens in Chester were among the number. They have been living the life for some time.

This is a wonderful opportunity to build up a good work, and will open up the way to get into the great city of Philadelphia.

Let all the saints pray for us.—H. W. Potest.

### SOLDIERS for JESUS

TAMPA, Fla.—What kind of soldiers are we? Ruffled when things go wrong, taking things in our own hands and our own way. Do we grumble when folks in our home town tell falsehoods on us? When we are poor financially on the field, then we get discouraged and want to go back. We say the way is too rough and the battle too hot. He or she, as the case may be, sits down at ease, while souls are going to hell every day. You let them go, while you shout and dance in joy.

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." St. John 21:15-17. Who did He mean when He said this? The preachers of His Church. If you are called why don't you obey? If you do not you will not be a true soldier for Jesus.

The Lord will have a people on whom He can depend when the testing time comes, which may not be far away. I am expecting a bomb shell of God's glory, so to speak, to come down in our midst and prepare us for His service.

"God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able." 1 Cor. 10:13. When we are tempted, God will take care of us. It is our duty to stay in the will of the Lord and keep sweet in our souls, then He will fight for us.

Gideon, a soldier of the Lord believed and obeyed Him, the Lord reduced his army from thirty-two thousand to three hundred, because He wanted the glory. "Then God delivered the enemy into their hands." Judges 6:15-18; 36-40; 7:1-21.

God is a jealous God. He wants all of our heart, soul, mind and strength and all of our earthly possessions. Dear readers let us go on and be true soldiers for Him.—Alice Driggers.

### A SEED SOWING TIME

BEBEE, Okla.—I praise the Lord for the fire burning in my soul, and for the great Church of God. Brother Viney our state overseer has been here and held a meeting with great success. The Word was given out with power. It was a seed sowing time, and we are looking for a harvesting time in the future. Praise the Lord. We are expecting to have a church here soon. Brother Stanley Moore from Ravia was with us and he was much appreciated in the services.

The people are well pleased with Brother Viney, he has been doing a splendid work for the churches in Okla. this year. We want him back another year. I would like to see all of you in Cleveland. Pray for me as I am doing all I can for the great Church of God and His cause.—Lonnie Ball, BeBee, Okla.

### REPORT

McCULLEN, Ala.—We began a meeting here Aug. 16th, which ran two weeks. Brother and Sister Williams were with us. The Lord blessed wonderfully and saved five, sanctified three, and baptized three with the Holy Ghost. Brother Ben Roden came and set a church in order with seventeen members.—Lonzo Wright.



## MISS. STATE CONVENTION

### While Word is Given Out Congregation is Held Spell-Bound

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wood using for a subject, OUR PATTERN, text 1 Peter 2:21. "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps." Brother J. T. Clark followed with a short talk.

Every man and woman's downfall that has happened from the time man put his foot upon God's gay and beautiful universe has been caused thru slothfulness. Again there is another time when many of the saints faint in the hours of illness. I know by personal experience and observation. I have been requested to pray for sick ones in a number of homes of whom many of the saints would believe and God would accompany the prayer by raising the sick. I have prayed for others; the party for whom I would scarcely know how to pray and would utter a few hopeless dry words, and if you should refrain from praying yourself you could see them looking through their fingers with a faint countenance. Wife looking at husband and husband looking at wife; wondering is little Johnnie going to get well? Would I get victory over such a case? I will answer this question by asking one; did poor Asa get delivered from his afflictions when in his illness by trusting in the physicians? No, the poor soul died, the Bible declares and was buried in his own sepulcher. 2nd Chron. 16: 13-14. So this is the kind of victory I have gotten in almost every case.

Listen dear saints, when you go to praying for some man's sick child and during your prayer, he begins to look through the fingers of one hand and begins to run the other fingers through his hair and look at his wife with his nerves rising as if he were fixing to have a spasm; wife herself not being a little comforted over the situation. You had just as well pick up your hat and be traveling for Satan has already clothed them with drowsiness; For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty; and drowsiness shall clothe a man in rags." Prov. 23:21.

Why! slothfulness has cast them into a deep sleep and their poor souls are hungry. I know this is true and the next thing they went off after the physician. The doctor comes and gives the poor little thing some terrible dope and almost every time in such cases God smites the little fellow and takes it to Himself. "But now he is dead, wherefore shall I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." 2 Sam. 12:23. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. Heb. 10:31.

All this of which I have referred to above points out mother Eve's transgressions which were caused by slothfulness by adhering to Satan's lies. David's sins found him out by his slothfulness. (Deut. 32:23.)

Brother Burgess brought the eight o'clock message. Using for his text Col. 3:2. The altar was full of seekers. Brother E. B. Culpepper and the writer run the meeting on until Wednesday night the 8th. Two were reclaimed, and others were in the altar crying out to God. Mississippi is sure enough a ripe field. Come over and help us.

The convention certainly was a success. Everybody seemed to enjoy it, and the saints went away on fire for God. We feel that we are gaining ground in Mississippi. We are carried away with our state overseer. I must say that he is on his job. We have gone from this place to the front line trenches and are raising His banner higher and higher. And His banner that was over me was LOVE—Robert E. Blackwood.

## JESUS PROVES HIS POWER TO HEAL

THE PRAYER OF FAITH SHALL SAVE THE SICK, AND THE LORD SHALL RAISE HIM UP

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for God to work in His own way. Some that are here are hungry for salvation, and the enemy is struggling to keep them from getting it. Dear people let's never get discouraged even if people start and then fail. That won't hinder us in the least. He will be with us even unto the end. Matt. 28:20. We must endure to the end. The same shall be saved. Mark 13:13. Praise God. Let's keep our eyes off the people and keep them on God and His Word, for it will never fail. "For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God; and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?" (1 Peter 4:17.)

2 Peter 2:14-16. "Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children: Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness: But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet." Let us not be dumb, but hear the faintest whisper of Him who is able as of old, Praise God. Pray for me and mine that we may stay true to the end.—Mrs. E. C. Bradburn.

### Speakers Have Special Anointing for Occasion

The Church Has Never Had Greater Prospect For Rapid Development Than It Has Today

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the matron, assistant matron and other workers. At the close of this service a liberal offering was given for the payment and maintenance of the Church of God Orphanage and Children's Home.

The financial reports were good and showed that the Church was prospering along this line. The representatives were especially delighted to learn that it had never become necessary to borrow any money to carry on the publishing interest of the Church and that a remarkable increase was shown in accounts receivable and stock and merchandise on hand. The Statistical Report showed a very satisfactory increase and that it had in many respects overcome and absorbed the loss of those who had been expelled and otherwise disassociated themselves with the Church. The representatives were glad to learn that 160 new ministers had been licensed or ordained during the past year.

Considerable enthusiasm is shown over the Bible Training School, which has formerly opened with almost 40 students in attendance with T. S. Payne, Superintendent of Education in charge.

For a further and more detailed statement of the work of the 19th Annual Assembly of the Churches of God see the minutes of the same, which will be on sale at an early date they are now under way in this office.

### Need More Help

BOGALUSA, La.—Brother Wm. Black has just closed a ten days' meeting with much good done. We are looking forward to a great harvest day at this place. Many are looking to the Church of God and believing in it, because it is the only church spoken of in the Bible.

We are expecting Brother Black to come back here after the 19th Annual Assembly. to finish up a wonderful work that has been started. We need more help here. Brother Black has so many churches to look after until he only has a few days to spend at one place, in order to try to get the good news to the people that are crying for help. Pray much for us.—Mrs. Will McManis.

## The Temple of God

Those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man."

Annie Lindsey

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Cor. 3:16, 17. "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Cor. 6:19, 20. "But Solomon built him an house. Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands as saith the prophet, Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?" Acts 7:47-49. "Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me." Heb. 10:5.

Now, from the reading of the above Scriptures we learn that God has need of a temple. No doubt some may say, "I have been bearing the vessel or the temple of the Lord for years," when they don't even believe in sanctification of the body, vessel or temple, all meaning the same. All right you may have been, but let us see if it is an honorable body, vessel or temple, or a dishonorable. God wants honorable vessels. "But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work. Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will." 2 Tim. 2:20-26. We see by this Scripture that a vessel is not honorable until it is sanctified. In other words it is not for God to use, so in order to be useful in God's hands we must have our vessels, bodies, or temples made honorable by the sanctifying blood of Jesus, which is the only thing that can do the work. Regeneration won't do it, conviction won't do it, or anything else won't do it, but the blood of Jesus. Some may say they have received a heart sanctification, but the body, temple or vessel is full of sin and say their heart doesn't sin, but their flesh is continually sinning. All right let us see what God says about the body sinning. "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body." 1 Cor. 6:18.

We find our poor bodies are not guilty of half of what is laid upon them. Let us see where the sin is coming from and what is causing all our trouble. We say our heart is clean; let us see if it is. "But out of the mouth, come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murderers, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashed hands defileth not a man." You say, then why does the body, temple or vessel need cleansing? Because the thought of the

heart has defiled it (the body). You say then why can't the heart be cleansed or sanctified by the blood and the body remain sinful and do the things here for it to do? I say nay, a clean holy sanctified heart will not dwell in an unholy temple or body. Let's see what our guide says about it. "Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thes. 5:22, 23.

Dear ones we are keeping house for God. He is a particular person and just one kind of a housekeeper will suit Him. God has an add in our guide book (the Bible) for a housekeeper. He says, "Be ye holy unto your God." Num. 15:40. "For I am the Lord your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." Lev. 11:44. "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof." Rom. 6:12. There are many other things that could be mentioned, but when this is clearly seen in the Bible we know just what kind of people he is calling for, yet some will present themselves to God with a heart full of sin and their bodies, temples or vessels all defiled with most everything imaginable and say, "Lord, I have come to answer your call, and I want you to give me the gift you said you would," but listen, God knows, praise His name! and I am glad he does. If he didn't know, the Holy Ghost would be cramped down in all kind of bodies and defiled until heaven could not receive Him when He went back, but he doesn't do business like that. His Word says in Isa. 52:11, "Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the Lord."

You cannot wash a vessel until first you remove the contents and the weighty things are disposed of, then you can take a cleansing solution and wash and make clean the vessel for God's Spirit to dwell in. Praise God, I feel like my cup is ready to run over.

Let's hurrah for the cleansing tide, Where our soul and body got sanctified. When the blood flowed in and Satan went out, It was no trouble then to leap and shout.

I am praising God as the days go by, And some glad day I am going to fly Like an eagle to my resting place, There I'll keep shouting by the power of grace.

### WANTS TO BE A SOUL WINNER

HUDSON, Fla.—I want to sound a note of praise through this dear little paper. Dear saints of God I want to praise the Holy Father today for Jesus and His precious love to me. He has saved, sanctified and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost and I am a member of the great Church of God. Glory! Glory!!

I want to say a word to the ones that are seeking the Holy Ghost, don't be discouraged in the least, for one of the writers, Peter I think, said that this Holy Ghost was for us and our children and as many as our Lord God should call. I prayed 17 long months before I received the Holy Ghost.

I hope to be on the battlefield soon, telling the lost world of a Saviour that suffered and died that we might be saved. Oh, how it hurts my heart to see and hear of the people going out into eternity without God. The Bible says it is appointed to man once to die but after death comes the judgment. Please pray for me, for I know that God will do more and abundantly more than we can think or ask. I want to be a soul winner for Jesus, and have the oil in my vessel and my lamp burning bright when Jesus comes.—Clifton Cox.

## Another Great Revival in Spite of Satan

### Mob Threatens to Hang Preacher

MILTON, W. Va.—The state evangelist, D. R. Moreland started a meeting here on Sept. 11, and God was in the very first meeting.

Large crowds came to see and hear about the wonderful things of God. There were eleven filled with the Holy Ghost, and about the same number sanctified and many saved. The devil was stirred and was at times almost too much to control. Crowds gathered and tried to break up the meeting at different times, and on one occasion they brought a rope to hang the preacher, but we went on serving the Lord and preaching holiness. A crowd ran ahead of us as we were going home and fired a few shots near us, but availed nothing. Finally police came and we had good order.

The reason there was such a stir was because someone had said, "If this goes on they will get the whole town to believe in holiness." The crowds kept coming and many stand for holiness now that would not come near, because they saw it stood it spite of the devil, and they came out to see and got to hear the truth.

The altar was full of seekers at every service and was still full when we left. This surely is a place for the Church of God: We have a big tabernacle that was built by the sanctified people but because of some trouble they moved out and built just across the way from this. The great wise God knew that we would be there and needed a place, so he made it turn out this way.

Some strange and funny things happened and one of them was that two of the seekers at the altar had attended the same church in town and had never known each other until they came into the Holiness way, even though they had been in the same church for eight years.

We were supposed to have a baptizing on Sunday but it rained all day, and the next day too. We had prayer meeting at a brother's house, and as the rain had ceased the creek which flows through the brother's field to overflow, we went out in the field and baptized fifteen. The Lord worked for us in every way.

Brother Edgar Frye, the pastor surely did good service in these meetings and a number of others also came

## SAINTS SHOUTING VICTORY

A great revival has just closed at Silver Point, Tenn., in which many souls have been blessed. Brother Charlie Martin did the preaching.

There were two saved, four sanctified and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. On Friday night the power fell, and the saints shouted so that Brother Martin did not get to preach. He just made an altar call and there were fifteen or twenty in the altar. Two of them were saved, and five received the Holy Ghost.

On Saturday night Brother Martin set the Church in order, and then we observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. There was a large crowd there and it seemed like everyone was feeling good.

Fifteen were baptized in water. It was a great blessing to see so many baptized and shouting the victory. The saints have been made stronger by the rich blessings of the Lord.—Mrs. America Lavefer.

with him. The saints at this place are surely on fire; true blue and 100 per cent Church of God people. I want to say Hurrah for the Church of God! This Church is not six months old yet but she is surely shining and we have a membership of nineteen.

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